| In the Matter of  Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Decision to Incur Nuclear Generation Pre-Construction Costs |                    |                          | BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA  COVER SHEET  DOCKET NUMBER: 2007-440-E |                                |   |
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| ☐ Emergency R ☐ Other: ☐ INDUSTRY (C  | Relief demanded in |                          | ·  | on Commission                  | 's Agenda expeditiously                       |
| ☐ Electric  |                    | Affidavit                |  |                                | Request                                       |
| ☐ Electric/Gas  |                    | Agreement                | ☐ Memorandun   | n                              | Request for Certificatio                      |
| Electric/Telecommunications   |                    | Answer                   | Motion   |                                | Request for Investigation                     |
| Electric/Water  |                    | Appellate Review         | Objection  |                                | Resale Agreement                              |
| ☐ Electric/Water/Telecom.   |                    | Application              | Petition   |                                | Resale Amendment                              |
| ☐ Electric/Water/Sewer  |                    | ☐ Brief                  | Petition for R   | Reconsideration                | Reservation Letter                            |
| Gas   |                    | Certificate              | Petition for R   | tulemaking                     | Response                                      |
| Railroad  |                    | Comments                 | Petition for Ru  | ile to Show Cause              | Response to Discovery                         |
| Sewer   |                    | Complaint                | Petition to In   | tervene                        | Return to Petition                            |
| Telecommunications  |                    | Consent Order            | Petition to Inte   | ervene Out of Time             | Stipulation                                   |
| Transportation  |                    | Discovery                | Prefiled Test  | imony                          | Subpoena                                      |
| ☐ Water   |                    | Exhibit                  | Promotion  |                                | ☐ Tariff                                      |
| Water/Sewer   |                    | Expedited Consideration  | n Proposed Ord   | der                            | Other:  |
| Administrative Matter   |                    | Interconnection Agreemen | t Protest  |                                |   |
| Other:  |                    | Interconnection Amendme  | nt   | .ffidavit                      |   |
|   |                    | Late-Filed Exhibit       | ☐ Report   |                                |   |





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Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Decision to Incur Nuclear Generation Pre-construction Costs

Docket No. 2007-440-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

This firm represents Duke Energy Carolinas in the referenced docket. Pursuant to the December 19, 2007 directive of the Docketing Department the deadline for Duke Energy Carolinas to file its rebuttal testimony is March 27, 2008. That directive also requires any surrebuttal testimony to be filed by April 3, 2008. Because we received testimony in opposition to the application on Thursday immediately before the Easter weekend, we request an extension of these two deadlines. Specifically, we ask that the deadline for rebuttal testimony be moved back to April 2, 2008 and the deadline for surrebuttal testimony be moved to April 9, 2008. The hearing is scheduled for April 17, 2008 and we believe that the proposed revised deadlines will allow ample time for all parties to be prepared for the hearing.

I have consulted with all parties about this request. The Office of Regulatory Staff and the South Carolina Energy Users Committee do not oppose the request. Counsel for the Friends of the Earth has not agreed to the request and has asked for an opportunity to be heard on it. Because of the time pressures I am asking that the Commission address this request at its meeting tomorrow afternoon. I have informed counsel for Friends of the Earth that I would be making that request and have asked that he submit any opposition to our request this afternoon or tomorrow so that the Commission can address the issues at tomorrow's meeting.

Based on the discussion I had with counsel for Friends of the Earth it appears that his objection to our request relates to potential disputes between us on discovery issues. Our responses to the discovery requests of Friends of the Earth are not yet due and the disputes which may arise are not ripe for resolution. In any event, the extension we are requesting will not prejudice the Friends of the Earth in their efforts to conduct discovery or to prepare for the hearing in this matter. Accordingly, we request that the Commission grant the reasonable extension which we have requested.

Thank you for considering this request.

Yours truly,

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